



Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 26-28 without prejudice or disclaimer.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A pseudopeptide having general formula I

P - NH - CH - CO - NH -
$$C(R_3)$$
 - CO - Asn - $N(R_4R_5)$
 R_1
 R_2

wherein:

P denotes a protecting group or a hydrogen atom,

R₁ denotes:

a phenylmethyl radical wherein the phenyl nucleus is substituted in the para position by -OPO₃H₂, phosphonomethyl, phosphonomonofluoromethyl or phosphonodifluoromethyl radical or

a-naphthylemethy naphthylmethyl radical which may be substituted in the 4 position by $-OPO_3H_2$, phosphonomethyl, phosphonomono- or phosphonodifluoromethyl radical, each of these radicals also being optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from among the C_1 to C_4 alkyl or C_1 to C_4 alkoxy groups and/or one or more halogen atoms,

R₂ denotes:

a phenylmethyl or naphtylmethyl naphthylmethyl or cyclohexylmethyl radical, 2- or 3-pyridinylmethyl, substituted at the para or meta position of the ring

by $-OPO_3H_2$, C_1 to C_2 phosphonoalkyl group, phosphonomonofluoromethyl, phosphonodifluoromethyl, $-OPO_3H_2$ phosphinate, $-So_3H$ sulfonomethyl, $-CO_2H$, carboxymethyl, carboxymethyloxy, malonyl,

2-(dicarboxy)ethyl, 2-malonyloxy, 5-tetrazolyl or 5-tetrazolylmethyl radical or

a radical alkyl of the type $(CH_2)_n$ (wherein n = 3 or 4) substituted in end position by a -OPO₃ H₂, C₁ to C₂ phosphonoalkyl, preferably phosphonomonofluoromethyl and phosphonodifluoromethyl, phosphonate, phosphinate, sulfonate, sulfonomethyl, carboxylate, carboxymethyl, carboxymethyl, carboxymethyloxy, malonyl, 2-malonyloxy, 2-dicarboxyethyl, 5-tetrazolyl or 5-tetrazolylmethyl radical,

 R_3 denotes a straight chain or branched C_1 to C_4 alkyl group or an alkylcycloalkyl group having a C_3 to C_6 cycloalkyl,

R₄ and/or R₅ denote:

a hydrogen,

a straight chain or branched C₁ to C₆ alkyl group

a C₁ to C₆ arylalkyl group wherein aryl denotes a phenyl or naphtyl nucleus optionally substituted by one or more hydroxyl groups, or

an aminohexanoic chain followed by the sequences

RQIKIWFQNRRMKWKK (SEQ ID NO: 1), IRQPKIWFPNRRKPWKK (SEQ ID NO: 2), Cys-S-S-Cys-RQIKIWFQNRRMKWKK (SEQ ID NO: 3) and Cys-S-S-Cys-IRQPKIWFPNRRKPWKK (SEQ ID NO: 4) derived from Antennapedia or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. (Currently Amended) The <u>pseudoeptide pseudopeptide</u> according to claim 1, wherein:

P denotes an RCO or ROCO group where R denotes a C₁₋₄ aminoalkyl or C₁₋₄ aminophenylalkyl,

R₁ denotes a phenylmethyl group substituted in the para position by a substituent selected from among OPO₃H₂, CH₂PO₃H₂, CHFPO₃H₂ and CF₂PO₃H₂,

R₂ denotes a phenylmethyl group substituted in the meta or para position by -OPO₃ H₂, C₁ to C₂ phosphonoalkyl group, phosphonomonofluoromethyl, phosphonodifluoromethyl, phosphonate, phosphinate, -SO₃H, sulfonomethyl, -CO₂H, carboxymethyl, carboxymethyloxy, malonyl, 2-(dicarboxy)ethyl, 2-malonyloxy, 5-tetrazolyl or 5-tetrazolylmethyl radical,

R₃ denotes a C₁ to C₄ alkyl group,

 R_4 and/or R_5 denote a hydrogen atom, an alkyl $(CH_2)_n$ - CH_3 or $(CH_2)_n$ -Ar group wherein Ar denotes a phenyl or α or β -naphthyl which may or may not be substituted and n is between 0 and 5 and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

(Previously Presented) The pseudopeptide according to claim 1, wherein:
 R₁ denotes a phenylmethyl group having -OPO₃ H₂ group in the para-position,
 R₂ denotes a phenylmethyl group having, in the para- or meta-position, a group

selected from the group consisting of a phosphate, phosphonomethyl, 2-malonyloxy or

(CH₂)_nCO₂H group wherein n is equal to 0 or 1,

 R_3 denotes a $C_1\text{-}C_4$ alkyl group, and

 R_4 and R_5 both represent a hydrogen atom and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

- 4. (Previously Presented) The pseudopeptide according to claim 1 selected from the group consisting of:
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia
 - mAZ-Pmp-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(α Me)Phe(CH₂-COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)F₂Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - $mAZ-pTyr-(\alpha Me)Phe(PO_3H_2)-Asn-NH_2$
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe (PO₃ H₂)-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia.

5-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) A pseudopeptide compound corresponding to general formula II

P-NH-CH-CO-NH-C(
$$R_3$$
)-CO-Asn-N(R_4R_5)
CH₂
CH₂
 P_1 '
 P_2 '

wherein:

P denotes a protecting group or a hydrogen atom,

 R_3 denotes a straight chain or branched C_1 to C_4 alkyl group or an alkylcycloalkyl group having a C_3 to C_6 cycloalkyl,

R₄ and/or R₅ denote

a hydrogen,

a straight chain or branched C₁ to C₆ alkyl group

a C₁ to C₆ arylalkyl group wherein aryl denotes a phenyl or naphtyl nucleus optionally substituted by one or more hydroxyl groups, or an aminohexanoic chain followed by the sequences RQIKIWFQNRRMKWKK (SEQ ID NO: 1), IRQPKIWFPNRRKPWKK (SEQ ID NO: 2, Cys-S-S-Cys-RQIKIWFQNRRMKWKK (SEQ ID NO: 3) and Cys-S-S-Cys-IRQPKIWFPNRRKPWKK (SEQ ID NO: 4), derived from Antennapedia,

P₁' is mono or bis-(S-acyl-2-thioethyl) phosphate and/or mono or bis-(acyloxymethyl) phosphate group wherein the term acyl denotes a tert-butylcarbonyl or isopropylcarbonyl or acetyl group; or

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mono is bis-(s-acyl-2-thioethyl) phosphate and/or mono or bis-(acyloxymethyl) phosphate group wherein the term acyl denotes a tert-butylcarbonyl or isopropylcarbonyl or acetyl group; or

P₂' is mono or bis-(S-acyl-2-thioethyl) phosphate and/or mono or bis-(acyloxymethyl) phosphonomethyl groups wherein the term acyl denotes a tertbutylcarbonyl or isopropylcarbonyl or acetyl group; or

mono or bis-(S-acyl-2-thioethyl) phosphonomethyl and/or mono or bis-(acyloxymethyl) phosphonomethyl groups wherein the term acyl denotes a tertbutylcarbonyl or isopropylcarbonyl or acetyl group,

mono or bis-(S-acyl-2-thioethyl) phosphonate and/or mono or bis-(acyloxymethyl) phosphonate group wherein the term acyl denotes a tert-butylcarbonyl or isopropylcarbonyl or acetyl group, or

in the form of a carbonxylate of:

arylalkyl where the term aryl denotes a benzene nucleus and the term alkyl denotes a straight or branched carbon chain having 1 to 3 carbon atoms;

morpholinyl alkyl – (CH₂)n (NC₄H₈O);

piperidinyl alkyl $-(CH_2)_n(NC_5H_{10})$ optionally substituted by and OH, CO_2H , CO_2R' where R' is a straight or branched alkyl chain which may or may not contain a benzyl or phenyl group;

piperazinylalkyl – $(CH_2)_n(NC_4H_8NH)$ optionally substituted by $(-N-C_4H_8-NR")$ where R" denotes an alkyl chain containing 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a benzyl group or a phenyl group, wherein n is between 1 and 3.

- 23. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, in an amount effective to inhibit proliferation of tumor cells.
- 24. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, selected from the group consisting of :
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia
 - mAZ-Pmp-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(C₂-COOH)(CH₂-COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)F₂Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)Phe(PO₃H₂)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr- $(\alpha Me)Phe(PO_3H_2)$ -Asn-Aha-Antennapedia.
- 25. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 22, in an amount effective to inhibit proliferation of tumor cells.

26-28. (Canceled)

- 29. (New) A method for binding Grb2 comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1.
- 30. (New) A method of inhibiting activation of Ras comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1.
- 31. (New) A method of treating breast cancer comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1.
- 32. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, in an amount effective to bind to Grb2.
- 33. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, in an amount effective to inhibit Ras activity.
- 34. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, in an amount effective to treat breast cancer.
- 35. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 22, in an amount effective to bind to Grb2.
- 36. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 22, in an amount effective to inhibit Ras activity.

- 37. (New) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and a pseudopeptide according to claim 22, in an amount effective to treat breast cancer.
- 38. (New) A method for binding Grb2 comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, selected from the group consisting of:
 - -mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia
 - mAZ-Pmp-(aMe)pTyr-Asn-NH2
 - mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)Phe(COOH)-Asn-NH2
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(CH₂-COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)F₂Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr- (αMe) Phe (PO_3H_2) Pmp-Asn- NH_2
 - mAZ-pTyr- $(\alpha Me)Phe(PO_3H_2)$ -Asn-Aha-Antennapedia.
- 39. (New) A method of inhibiting Ras activity comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, selected from the group consisting of:
 - -mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia
 - mAZ-Pmp- $(\alpha Me)pTyr$ -Asn- NH_2

- mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)Phe(COOH)-Asn-NH₂
- mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(CH₂-COOH)-Asn-NH₂
- mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
- mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)F₂Pmp-Asn-NH₂
- mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(PO₃H₂)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
- mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(PO₃H₂)-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia.
- 40. (New) A method of treating breast cancer comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 1, selected from the group consisting of:
 - -mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)pTyr-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)pTyr-Asn-Aha-Antennapedia
 - mAZ-Pmp-(aMe)pTyr-Asn-NH2
 - mAZ-pTyr-(aMe)Phe(COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(CH₂-COOH)-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr- $(\alpha Me)Pmp$ -Asn- NH_2
 - mAZ-pTyr- $(\alpha Me)F_2Pmp$ -Asn- NH_2
 - mAZ-pTyr-(αMe)Phe(PO₃H₂)Pmp-Asn-NH₂
 - mAZ-pTyr- $(\alpha Me)Phe(PO_3H_2)$ -Asn-Aha-Antennapedia.
- 41. (New) A method for binding Grb2 comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 22.

- 42. (New) A method of inhibiting activation of Ras comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 22.
- 43. (New) A method of treating breast cancer comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a pseudopeptide according to claim 22.